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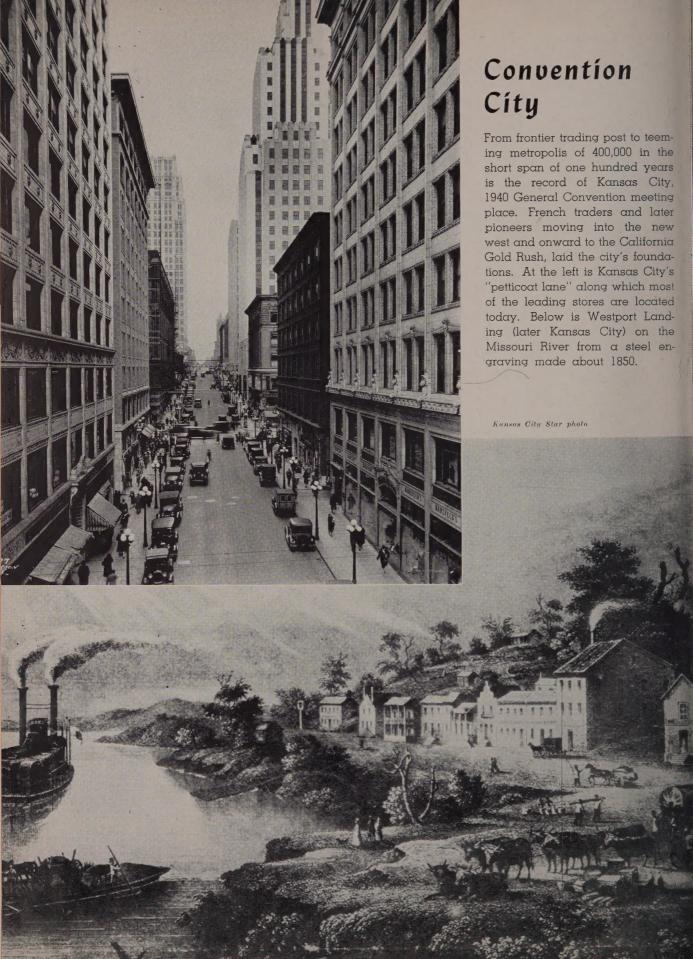
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THE COVER: "The Heart of America" is what Kansas City is called. And here General Convention of 1940 (the Fifty-third Triennial) Meets Oct. 9 to 24. Our Cover this issue symbolizes Kansas City as the heart of America and shows the Kansas City skyline.

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A city of beautiful homes, and winding picturesque drives awaits those attending General Convention in Kansas City this month. A typical scene is that above, taken in the Country Club residential section.

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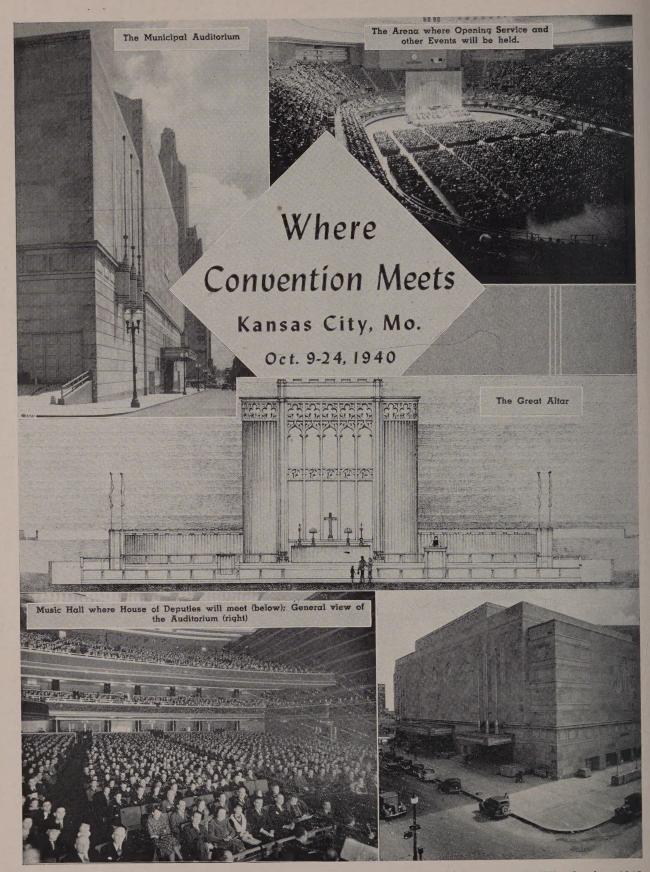
This issue of FORTH-The Spirit of Missions, is dedicated to General Convention which meets in Kansas City, Mo., Oct. 9 to 24. Bringing together as it does, the Church's leadership both clerical and lay from all parts of the world, Convention sets the tone of the Church's life and outlines her Program for the coming three years. Grave problems face this 1940 Convention and at the same time rich opportunities. For two weeks the eyes of the Church will be turned toward Kansas City; for many years to come the progress of the Church will be gauged by what happens there.

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A General Convention Message---

Another Opportunity

H. ST. GEORGE TUCKER

Presiding Bishop

HIS October number of FORTH—"The Spirit of Missions" is naturally devoted to subjects connected with the General Convention. When I was asked to write a brief article on the significance of this particular Convention, my thoughts went back to an address which I made just after the first world war to the Convention of the Missionary District of Kyoto.

One portion of what I said on that occasion seems to me so pertinent to the present situation that I am venturing to quote it as expressing at least in part my opinion as to the significance of this year's General Convention. It follows:

HILE our business in this Chihokwai (Convention) is to plan for the welfare and progress of the Church in our Diocese, yet we cannot forget that we are met together at a time of peculiar significance in the world's history. The nations have emerged from a great war with the conviction that its conclusion lays upon them the obligation of opening a new era in the progress of mankind. Their repre-sentatives are busy formulating plans by which this conviction may be carried into effect.

"As Christians we must rejoice that the new world policy represents a much closer approximation to Christ's ideas than that which has hitherto prevailed. We cannot perhaps hope that the world will attain perfection through this one effort. Doubtless there will be mistakes. delays and failures in the application of the new ideal to concrete problems. The realization of these new hopes will require patience and persevering effort.

"It is obvious that the Church cannot remain unaffected in the face of this new age. It must not, of course, interfere in matters which belong properly to political, economic or social experts. Yet it can render great service at such a time as this by holding up before men the moral principles of Christ as the only foundation for any permanent reformation. It can bring to the aid of every righteous cause that power which comes from faith in God.

"Further, the degree to which any high ideal can be realized in a nation depends upon the moral character and intelligence of the individuals who compose that nation.

"The present world crisis is, therefore, a direct call to the Church to exert itself more strenuously in its evangelistic and pastoral work. It will in this way help to lay in individual lives that moral and religious foundation on which alone the structure of a new age can stand firm. Such considerations should move us to a deeper sense of responsibility in our deliberations.'

T is true that the outbreak of the present war shows only too plainly that the hopes for a new era were not realized. On the contrary, our present state seems to



A Great Leader in a critical period of the Church's history. That is The Presiding Bishop (above). Upon him have fallen tremendous responsibilities and today the Church looks to him for the leadership which will guide her in the important triennium ahead. At General Convention in Kansas City, Bishop Tucker will outline proposals for a ten-year Forward Program. The future of the Church for generations hinges upon this program.—ED.

be worse than that which we were seeking to remedy. The Church must accept in part at least responsibility for this failure.

We do not know what the outcome of the present war will be, but as Christians we must believe that God will give us another opportunity to attempt that which we then failed to accomplish.

Is not then the significance of this General Convention that it affords us the opportunity of making plans to prepare ourselves for meeting this second opportunity which God will give us? Let us realize that of ourselves we are not sufficient. Our former failure makes that plain. Yet we must hold fast to the faith that God's grace is sufficient for us and we can retrieve even our worst failures through Christ who strengtheneth us.



Photos by Tyner-Murphy



West Missouri Welcomes the Church

By ROBERT NELSON SPENCER, D.D., BISHOP OF WEST MISSOURI

S to West Missouri's welcome to the Church in October, is it not written in our Book of Chronicles—the Journal of the General Convention 1937: After considering invitations...the committee recommends Kansas City as the place of meeting of General Convention in 1940. In making its choice, the committee was chiefly influenced by the fact that Kansas City offers the greatest missionary opportunity.

Yours were the lips that spake it, and the "missionary opportunity"; nay, the missionary challenge, was to be greater than you knew. But even then, what better warrant could the Church have than to take its strength of banners to a far-stretching section of our country, an area rich enough in the resources of nature, but comparatively poor in com-

municant strength?

It was to this place that the Church sent its first domestic missionary bishop, Jackson Kemper, more than a century ago. The central Southwest has tried to carry on. But it has seen the banners of fifty-two General Conventions go by, and only five of them have crossed the Mississippi.

Now it is coming to Kansas City—the cross-roads of the Continent. Is it any wonder that there is joy here, and waiting hospitality, and welcome as deep as the core of our hearts? Looking forward to your coming, we find ourselves singing in the

Missouri Valley:

"Hark! the songs of peaceful Sion Thunder like a mighty flood; Jesus out of every nation Hath redeemed us by his blood."

UT of every nation"! That is reminiscent, is it not, of a General Convention long ago in an upper room! A little more "General" was that Convention; ours today being a riven Christendom; but nevertheless the First General Convention. Yet in these days of quantitative evaluations, if it be distances traveled, if it be numbers assembled, if it be the challenge of crisis, then the General Convention of 1940 is not to be despised!

You will have come farther, some of you, than did the "dwellers in Mesopotamia, and in Judæa, and Cappadocia, in Pontus, and Asia, . . . and strangers of Rome." Is it too much to hope that, having come so far, that Presence will still be with you, and the waiting host here in this latest General Convention shall experience something of that Power of the Lord and Giver of Life they knew at the First? Must it not be so if we be of one accord, in one place?

It is of course no arrangement of ours that we are to house the General Convention in what may be the most momentous hour in the world's history. God orders the dial. But between Cincinnati and Kansas City, even the rocks have been burning. And if men and women, believing that in such an hour there is no shade but God's shadow, shall think less of tinkering canons and projecting primatial sees, and more of whole missionary peoples like driven refugees upon the roads of war; if praying hands and sinking ships shall summon them to a new endeavor in the brunt of all this, then may they go hence from this Convention, as they did from that First, resolved to help to turn the world once more upside down, which is right side up.

O set the theater, we have tried to provide for you comfortable housing; the Municipal Auditorium for every assembly; and such provisions as we could to expedite and help your business. Of the quality of our hospitality, you yourselves must be the judges. But, while we have not presumed upon this, we know that the charity of such a Communion is sufficient to cover a multitude of our sins.

Welcome, then, Right Reverend Fathers, and Reverend Brothers, and revered Laymen! Welcome, Missionary Women in your Auxiliary hosts! Welcome, all related Organizations in the common task! Welcome, Visitors! Welcome, Youth of the Church, with your visions and your strength! West Missouri welcomes all of you, and waits.



Bishop Spencer

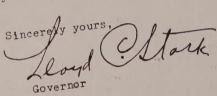
GREETINGS

As Governor of Missouri I extend a most cordial welcome to all the delegates and visitorial welcome of Missouri I extend a most cordial welcome to all the delegates and visitorial welcome of the delegates and visitorial welcome of the delegates and visitorial welcome to all the delegates and visitorial welcome of the delegates and visitorial welcome of

As an Episcopal Vestryman I also want to extend my most cordial personal greetings to my fellow Episcopalians from throughout the United States who will assemble in Kansas City for this great triennial conclave.

As our Nation girds itself in a great national defense program to safeguard the liberties tional defense program have our American heritional Christian ideals which are our American as the and Christian new courage in such bulwarks as the tage, we find new courage in such bulwarks as the rotestant Episcopal Church.

It is my hope that this General Convention may provide new inspiration and new strength for may provide new inspiration are peril of a cur Nation as it faces the grave peril of a cur Nation as it faces dictatorships.



GREETINGS



GOVERNOR LLOYD C. STARK

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

To the 53rd General Convention of The Episcopal Church 1310 Broadway Kansas City, Missouri Centlemen:

As Mayor of Kansas City, it gives me a great deal of pleasure to welcome you to the Heart of America. I express the hope that your stay here will be most much of benefit to your church.

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If there is anything which the city administration can at liberty to call on us.

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MAYOR JOHN B. GAGE of Kansas City

Convention City is "Heart of America"

KANSAS CITY IS GREAT LIVESTOCK, GRAIN CENTER

HE Heart of America." That is Kansas City the way Kansas Cityans describe it. Here in this mid-west metropolis of 400,000 souls, General Convention will assemble for its fifty-third triennial session on Oct. 9, to face some of the most difficult problems a convention has faced in a century.

Kansas City is the second largest grain and livestock market in the United States; a city where the gross income from oil and oil products is two billion 131 million dollars a year.

The city began life commercially as an outfitting point. Traders in the 1830's and 40's went to Santa Fe, N. M., with wagon trains to bring back wool and Mexican silver dollars in rawhide boxes. They outfitted in Kansas City.

French fur traders, coming up the Missouri River 120 years ago in search of Indians with whom to trade, laid the beginnings of Kansas City, with log stores and trading posts. After them came missionary priests, more merchants, farmers and cattlemen, bankers, soldiers, printers, doctors, lawyers, artisans. Gold hunters, bound overland for California in 1849, helped enrich Kansas City, both on their way west and after they returned. In the Civil War it was a storm point, held by the North.

After the war Kansas City built a railroad bridge across the Missouri River and promptly became a railroad center. Twelve trunk-line railroads enter the city today. It also is a focal point for several national highways and an airways crossroads on transcontinental routes.

Kansas City is built at the junction of the Missouri and the Kaw Rivers. In the river bottom lands are its railroad yards, airports, stockyards, packing houses, grain elevators and many other industrial plants and distributing houses. Soap, structural steel, meat products, cookies, crackers, corn syrup, flour, leather, gasoline, motor cars, women's garments—these are a few of the commodities produced in Kansas City.

It distributes more farm implements

An Appropriate Convention City

W. A. COCHEL, General Chairman

Kansas City General Convention Committee

IT is appropriate in these troubled times that the General Convention should meet in the Heart of America. Here are produced the bread grains and livestock which insure ample food supplies for those who are compelled to follow their vocations in more congested areas.

Here will also be found raw materials in abundance for every need whether in times of peace or conflict. Here we are almost equally distant between the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans, also between the Canadian and Mexican borders. Our population is largely native born, giving opportunity for those from other lands quickly to absorb American principles.

Although the Diocese of West Missouri is one of the larger in area, it is one of the smaller in number of communicants. The honor of entertaining the General Convention is fully appreciated as indicated by the conscientious and diligent work of every church in the Diocese, of local committees, and of those of other denominations. All have worked to make it a success. While we expect to benefit from the opportunity of making contacts with Churchmen throughout the land, we also hope that the Church at large will receive something from us.

than any other city in America. It is the leading city in the United States in manufacturing articles made of American black walnut, of which much is grown comparatively near by.

Nineteenth in population among the cities of America, Kansas City ranks first as a primary market for winter wheat, first in flour-milling capacity and in regional production of flour; ninth in bank clearings. It is a harvest city, a farm market center.

Cattle receipts in Kansas City in 1939 were 1,387,000; sheep receipts 1,366,593, and hogs 1,829,971. Horse and mule receipts in Kansas City in

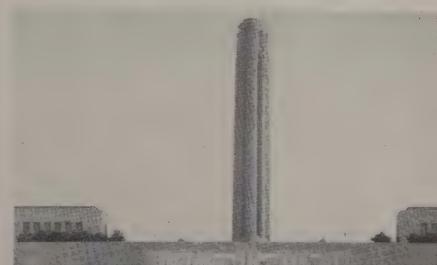
1939 were 30,866, the second largest in the nation. Greater Kansas City wheat receipts that year were 80,548,800 bushels; those of corn 11,229,000 bushels; grain of all kinds 95,672,400 bushels.

The grain elevator capacity of Greater Kansas City is 62,182,000 bushels and its flour output in 1939 was 7,246,117 barrels.

"A City Built Upon Hills" may well describe this year's Convention meeting place. Its retail business area and residence sections lie on rolling hilly ground well above river levels. It has

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Liberty Memorial (below) is Kansas City's tribute to World War veterans. Located opposite the Union Station, it was built at a cost of nearly three million dollars; 83,000 contributors built it. A fire is visible at night atop the 217-foot shaft, symbolizing honor, loyalty, courage and sacrifice.





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War Spectre Hovers Over Convention

ENGLISH AID AND JAPAN AMONG FOREMOST SUBJECTS

Convention High Lights

These are some of the important matters expected to come before General Convention:

Aid for distressed English and European missions.

Future of Japan mission in view of new government regulations.

Presiding Bishop's plan for new Forward Movement.

Marriage and divorce.
Adoption of new Hymnal.
Episcopal - Presbyterian con-

Social insurance for lay employees.

Status of domestic missionary districts, including Salina, Kansas.

Registration of conscientious objectors.

HE dilemma of a war-torn world undoubtedly will weigh heavily upon the Fifty-third Triennial General Convention of the Church meeting in Kansas City Oct. 9 to 24. World conditions will be much in the mind of the Presiding Bishop as he delivers the keynote at the Opening Service in the great Municipal Auditorium arena; they will be the major reason for the Presiding Bishop's proposal for a new and greater Forward Movement to be part of a ten-year program he will suggest; they will be the cause of two other major concerns of Convention—aid for distressed English and European missionary programs and the status of the Church's work in Japan.

New Forward Movement. The Presiding Bishop feels the state of the world demands a better organized and more aggressive Church. To bring about such, he will ask Convention to approve a ten-year program designed to heighten the spiritual tenor of those now in the Church; re-enlist those who have lapsed in their Church interest and convert those who are outside the scope of the Church's influence. His proposals will aim to assist and strengthen particularly the parish church, although the work of the diocese and National Church also will be involved.

Aid for English Missions. The plight of the huge missionary program of the Church of England as a result of the war is expected to be placed

before Convention, either by message or personal representative of the Archbishop of Canterbury. In this hour of England's distress, it would seem logical that the American Church come to the aid of the Church which fostered her. The need is unlimited. English missionary societies yearly expend more than ten million dollars. Missionary programs of other European churches are equally distressed.

Japan Mission Jeopardized. The future of the Episcopal Church's work in Japan is involved in recent regulations of the Japanese government. Newspaper and radio reports indicate foreign missionaries may no longer hold executive posts in the Japanese church and that financial assistance from outside Japan will be cut off. Definite information about such regulations had not yet reached the Presiding Bishop when this issue went to press.

Marriage and Divorce. A proposal to revise existing canons on marriage and divorce so as to permit, under certain conditions, the restoration to communicant status of persons remarried not according to the law of the Church will be submitted. This whole matter has been before Conventions many times.

New Hymnal. A new Hymnal will be considered, the first revision in 24 years. The proposed book will contain some 200 new hymns including a Negro spiritual. Designed to encourage congregational singing, the new book, according to the commission

which has been working on it for years, is more fitted to the present generation.

Episcopal-Presbyterian Concordat. Postponement of final action on proposals for union of the Episcopal and Presbyterian churches will be asked. The Commission on Approaches to Unity will ask that the study be continued and means devised whereby members of the two churches may become better acquainted.

Social Insurance for Lay Employees. Lay employees of churches are at present excluded from the Federal social security act. This whole matter has been much discussed of late and is expected to come before Convention for an expression of opinion.

Status of Missionary Districts. General Convention's Commission on Strategy and Policy has for some time been studying suggestions for merger of weaker domestic missionary districts with adjacent dioceses. A similar committee of National Council has been studying the same subject. Recommendations will be placed before Convention. Involved in this is the future

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Dr. ZeBarney T. Phillips (below), president of the House of Deputies for a number of Conventions, caught in action.



The Program of General Convention

AS ANNOUNCED BY THE KANSAS CIT

The Official Program

OCTOBER 9

- 7:30 A.M. Corporate Communion, Bishops and Deputies, Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral. Communion services in other churches.
- 11:00 A.M. Opening Service, Auditorium Arena.
- 2:15 P.M. Opening Session Woman's Auxiliary, Arena.
- 3:00 P.M. Opening Session, House of Bishops, Little Theater. Opening Session, House of Deputies, Music Hall.
- 8:30 P.M. Reception to the Presiding Bishop and other Church leaders and of Woman's Auxiliary. William Rockhill Nelson Gallery of Art and Atkins Museum.

OCTOBER 10

- 7:30 A.M. Holy Communion will be celebrated daily in all city churches throughout the Convention period.
- 8:00 A.M. Corporate Communion and Presentation of the United Thank Offering. Arena.
- 9:30 A.M. Devotional service. Cathedral. Continued daily throughout Convention period.
- 10:00 A.M. House of Bishops. Little Theater. The House of Deputies. Music Hall. Continued at this hour all week days of Convention period.
- 11:00-12:30 Officers' Work Groups, Woman's Auxiliary.
- 2:30 P.M. Sessions of House of Bishops, House of Deputies, and Woman's Auxiliary.
- 8:30 P.M. U.T.O. MASS MEETING and

Announcement of the amount of the offering. Arena.

OCTOBER 11

- 9:00-10:45 Woman's Auxiliary. Arena.
- 11:00 A.M.-1:00 P.M. Joint Session of two Houses, (subject to action by the Convention) to receive report of the National Council and to consider the Program for the coming Triennium. Music Hall.
- 2:30 P.M. Joint session continued.
- 8:00 P.M. Youth Mass Meeting. Music Hall.

OCTOBER 12

- Regular daily schedule, with Woman's Auxiliary
- Provincial meetings, 11:00 A.M.-1:00 P.M.

 Afternoon reserved for recreational trip to
 Fort Leavenworth for Delegates and
 Visitors.

OCTOBER 13 (SUNDAY)

- 7:30 A.M. Holy Communion, all churches except Cathedral.
- 8:00 A.M. Corporate Communion for Youth. Cathedral.
- 11:00 A.M. Services in all churches.
 Service for Youth. Music Hall.
 Service at the Cathedral with the
 Most Rev. Derwyn T. Owen, D.D.,
 D.C.L., Primate of All Canada, as
 preacher.
- 8:30 P.M. THE CHURCH'S WORK IN A TROUBLED WORLD. With our Missionaries in other lands. Music

OCTOBER 14

Regular daily schedule, with Woman's Auxiliary Session 9:00-10:00 A.M., Sec-

tional Meetings 10:15-12:15, and regular Auxiliary session resumed 2:30 to 4:00.

OCTOBER 15

- Regular daily schedule, with Woman's Auxiliary session 10:15-12:00 and sectional meetings 2:30-4:30.
- 8:30 P.M. AMERICA FOR CHRIST.— Graphic presentation of Christian Opportunities by picture and voice, Music Hall,

OCTOBER 16

Regular daily schedule.

OCTOBER 17

Regular daily schedule.

8:30 P.M. TRAINING A GREAT RACE.

The story of the work of the American
Church Institute for Negroes. Music
Hall.

OCTOBER 18

Regular daily schedule.

OCTOBER 19

- Regular daily schedule in forenoon. Afternoon reserved for recreation.
- 11:15-12 Noon. Woman's Auxiliary closing service.

OCTOBER 20 (SUNDAY)

- 7:30 and 11:00 A.M. Services in all churches.
- 8:00 P.M. THE CRISIS FACING CHRISTIAN MISSIONS. It is expected that the speaker will be a representative of the Archbishop of Canterbury. Music Hall.

OCTOBER 21

And remaining days of Convention. Regular daily schedule.

National Council meets in Kansas City at the Muehlebach Hotel, Oct. 7 and 8, with important matters before it. Bishops of foreign and Latin American districts will meet with the Council Tuesday morning, Oct. 8, and bishops of domestic missionary districts that afternoon.

The European War has prevented Canon Charles T. Bridgeman of the Jerusalem and East Mission from carrying out his plans to attend General Convention. Canon Bridgeman was expected to bring firsthand information of conditions in the East.

The Union Station (foreground) in Kansas City is a center of great activity as General

Convention attendants arrive. In the background is Kansas City's imposing skyline.

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NERAL CONVENTION COMMITTEE

Events Sponsored by Various Church Groups and Organizations

OCTOBER 9

- 3:00 P.M. Church Periodical Club. Room 100. Continues daily (except Sunday) at 10:00 A.M. and 3:00 P.M. until October 17, incl., except that on October 10 the morning session opens at
- 4:00-5:30 Missionary tea. Mezzanine of Exhibit Hall. Daily.
- 8:00 P.M. Reception. (See Convention Schedule.)

OCTOBER 10

- 12:00 Noon. Church Army Noon-hour service. Northwest corner Municipal Auditorium. Continued daily except Sunday throughout Convention.
- 1:00 or Adjournment Hour. Church League for Industrial Democracy. Continued daily except Sunday to Oct. 18 incl.
- 5:00 P.M. School of Prayer. Cathedral. The American Church Union. Continues daily and Sunday until Oct. 18
- 8:30 P.M. THE CHURCH MARCHES ON. (See Convention Schedule.)

OCTOBER 11

- 7:30 A.M. Corporate Communions, Church Periodical Club and Church Mission of Help.
- 12:15 Church Action Meeting. Room 401. 4:00 P.M. Girls' Friendly Society Tea.
- 7:00 P.M. Dinner in honor of Miss Grace Lindley. Hotel Continental.
- 8:00 P.M. Meeting of Deaconesses. Cathedral Parish House. Youth Mass Meeting. Music Hall. Meeting of Presbyterians and Episco-
- palians. Edison Hall. 10:00 P.M. Youth Reception, Lobby of Auditorium.

OCTOBER 12

- 7:30 A.M. Corporate Communion of National Rural Workers' Fellowship at Cathedral; Deaconesses, at St. Andrew's Church, followed by an all-day meeting of Deaconesses.
- 9:00-10:30 A.M. Youth. Edison Hall.
- 10:30-Noon. Youth visits Convention and Woman's Auxiliary.
- 12:30 Deaconesses Luncheon. St. Andrew's Church.
- 2:00-3:00 P.M. Youth. Edison Hall. 3:00-5:00 P.M. Tea for Visitors.
- 4:00-6:00 P.M. Youth Recreation.
- 6:15 P.M. Deaconesses' Dinner.
- 7:00 P.M. Youth banquet. Hotel Conti-
- Sewanee Dinner. Woman's City Club. 8:00 P.M. Chancellor's Dinner. Kansas City Club.

OCTOBER 13 (SUNDAY)

- 7:30 A.M. Corporate Communion, National Board Alumnae of Woman's Auxiliary. Chapel, St. Mary's Church.
- 8:00 A.M. Corporate Communion Youth. Cathedral.
- 11:00 A.M. Service for Youth. Music Hall.
- 4:00 P.M. Vesper Service. St. George's
- 8:30 P.M. THE CHURCH'S WORK IN A TROUBLED WORLD. (See Convention Schedule.)

OCTOBER 14

- 7:30 A.M. Holy Communion. College Work Booth, Exhibit Hall. Continued daily until Oct. 18, incl. Corporate Communion (followed by breakfast.) St. Barnabas' Guild for Nurses. Cathedral.
- 12:00 Noon. Church Congress. Room 501. Continued daily to Oct. 18, incl.
- 6:30 P.M. Seminary Dinners.
- 8:00 P.M. Meeting for Laymen. Edison

OCTOBER 15

- 7:30 A.M. Corporate Communion (and breakfast) Episcopal Pacifist Fellowship. Cathedral. Corporate Communion, Altar Guilds. St. Mary's Church.
- 9:00-10:00 Course on Altar Work. Cathedral Parish House. Continues daily until Oct. 18, incl.
- 9:00-9:50 Morning Classes for Church workers. Continues daily until Oct. 18, incl.
- 9:00-12:00 Seminar on The Church and Family Life. Continues daily until Oct. 18, incl.
- 12:15 P.M. Church Action Meeting. Room
- 12:30 P.M. Missionary Luncheons, bassador, Hyde Park and Park Lane Hotels.

- 2:00 P.M. Altar Guilds Conference. Cathedral Parish House.
- 2:00-4:00 Conference on Christian Education. Continues daily until Oct. 18,
- 8:30 P.M. AMERICA FOR CHRIST. (See Convention Schedule.)

OCTOBER 16

- 8:30 A.M. Breakfast Meeting, Episcopal Pacifist Fellowship. Daily until Oct. 18, incl.
- 6:30 P.M. Provincial Dinners.

OCTOBER 17

- 5:00 P.M. Church Periodical Club Memorial Service for Mary E. Thomas. Cathedral.
- 8:30 P.M. TRAINING A GREAT RACE. (See Convention Schedule.)

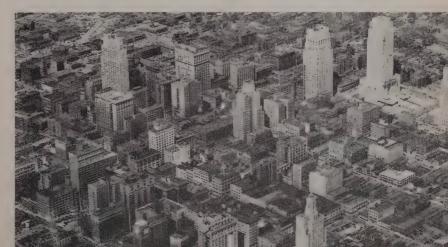
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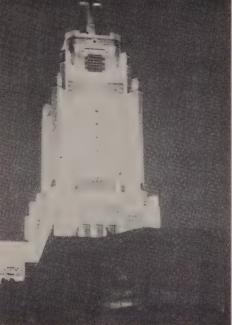
- 7:30 A.M. Holy Communion at Cathedral, remembering the 49th anniversary of the ordination of Bishops Johnson and Matthews.
- 6:30 P.M. College Work Dinner. Dinner for diocesan editors and directors of publicity.
- Church Historical Society Dinner. 8:30 P.M. Indian Symphony. Minisa Or-
- ganization, under direction of Thurlow Lieurance. Music Hall.

OCTOBER 20 (SUNDAY)

- Services in all Churches 7:30 and 11:00
- 4:00 P.M. Vesper Service. St. George's Church.
- 4:30 P.M. Vespers and Meditation under auspices of Confraternity of the Blessed Sacrament. St. Mary's Church.
- 8:30 P.M. THE CRISIS FACING CHRIS-TIAN MISSIONS. (See Convention Schedule.)

An interesting airplane view of Kansas City is shown below. The Edison Building, where some Convention meetings will be held, is in the foreground center.





IGHTY years of missionary work in Japan, marked by steady, consistent progress, are at stake due to regulations recently issued by

the newly formed Japanese govern-

"The regulations, so far as I can tell at the moment, refer only to foreign missionaries holding executive posts in the Japanese Church," declared the Presiding Bishop as this issue went to press. "I judge other missionaries are not precluded from working in Japan."

Whatever the final interpretation of the regulations, Bishop Tucker declared the situation will in no sense lessen the need for aggressive prosecution of the missionary cause in foreign fields nor will it decrease the

Bishop Reifsnider (North Kwanto) who returned to Japan because of new government regulations.



Japanese Work Endangered

CONVENTION TO HEAR OF NEW REGULATIONS

Cross-topped tower of St. Luke's International Hospital, Tokyo, (left), one of the Church's outstanding institutions in Japan.

financial needs of the National Church. "The Church's missionary program must be maintained," he said, "and there must be no relaxation of our missionary zeal at home or abroad. Opportunities for missionary work are greater today in view of world conditions than ever before."

The Presiding Bishop, it should be pointed out, is an authority on Japan, having been Bishop of Kyoto for eleven years. Immediately after the announcement of the Japanese regulations in the public press, he conferred with Bishop Reifsnider of North Kwanto, Bishop Binsted of Tohoku and Bishop Nichols of Kyoto. All three had arrived in the United States to attend General Convention. As a result of the conference, Bishops Reif-Binsted immediately and started back to Japan. Bishop Nichols remained and will be in attendance at General Convention in Kansas City.

Based upon information from Bishops Reifsnider and Binsted, the Presiding Bishop hopes to be able to report on the situation to General Convention.

Newspaper reports stated American missionaries and American financial assistance would be excluded from Japan under the new regulations. Even though this be the case, the American Church's program in Japan will go on because there are 650 native Japanese workers in this field and only sixty American workers.

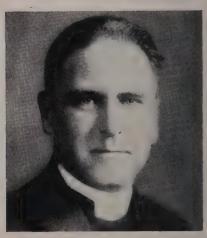
The Nippon Sei Ko Kwai (Holy Catholic Church in Japan), as the Japanese branch of the Anglican Communion is called held its first General Synod as early as 1887. Its constitution and canons are modeled upon those of the Episcopal Church in the United States. Its aim from the beginning has been to propagate and sustain itself.

Today the Japanese Church has

grown to include ten dioceses and two missionary districts. Three of these are under the jurisdiction of the Episcopal Church in the United States. In these three dioceses are some 80 ordained Japanese priests together with doctors, nurses, teachers, catechists and Bible women numbering nearly 600-all Japanese, trained by the Mission for work in their own land and among their own people. The Japanese Church has, in addition to seven English and American bishops, three Japanese bishops of jurisdiction and one Japanese suffragan bishop. Thus it is able to fulfill the requirement for consecration of additional bishops to maintain the historic Episcopate.

Christianity has been known for 380 years in Japan, since St. Francis Xavier first landed on her shores. But within less than a century after his arrival, the new religion was harshly suppressed and for over 200 years Japan remained sealed to the outer world. So missions in Japan really date from the middle of the 19th century, from the arrival in Nagasaki in (Continued on next page)

Bishop Binsted (Tohoku) who also returned to Japan after conference with Presiding Bishop.



FORTH - October, 1940

Night Meetings Keyed to War Times

FORWARD MARCH OF CHURCH TO BE INDICATED

HE pulse of the Church around the world and high lights of Christian problems in the midst of war will be caught in a series of five great meetings during General Convention under sponsorship of the National Council and its various divisions. These will be what generally are known as "mass meetings."

The keynote to the series will be sounded by the United Thank Offering meeting the evening of Oct. 10 in the Municipal Auditorium arena. "The Church Marches On" is the theme. Through a commentator coming to the audience in radio fashion; through motion pictures on a huge screen dropped before the Convention altar; through missionaries from far-flung fields, will



Bishop Roberts (above) of China, another Convention speaker from the Orient.

come the story of the persistent march forward of the Church in these trouble-some times. Dr. John W. Wood, so well-known as a missionary speaker, will give the message and the Presiding Bishop will say a word. The announcement of the 1940 United Thank Offering will climax the program. Arrangements for this meeting have been made by a committee of the Woman's Auxiliary executive board of which Mrs. Clinton Quin of Houston, is chairman, and a Kansas City committee headed by Mrs. Henry Burr.



Bishop Nichols (above) of Kyoto, Japan, who will speak on Japanese situation.

Another picture of the Church's world-wide mission will be provided Sunday evening, Oct. 13 when, in Music Hall under direction of Dr. Wood, Bishop Thomas of Brazil, Bishop Roberts of China and Bishop Nichols of Japan, will speak. The formal presentation of the children's Lenten offering will be made at this meeting.

Something of a patriotic theme will be sounded Tuesday evening, Oct. 15 at the third of the series in Music Hall. "America for Christ" will be the subject, with Bishop Freeman of Washington; Bishop Bartlett of Idaho; the Hon. William A. Merrill, superintendent of Schools, Des Moines, and Dr. Daniel A. McGregor as speakers.

The Church's work with a great race—the Negro—will come in for attention Thursday evening, Oct. 17, in a program under direction of the American Church Institute for Negroes. A huge massed choir of voices from Negro churches in Kansas City will sing.

The grave plight of missions throughout the Anglican communion caused by the war will be brought to the attention of Convention in compelling terms Sunday evening, Oct. 20. A personal representative of the Archbishop of Canterbury is expected to speak at that time.

Bands from Kansas City high schools will provide the musical setting for two of the meetings.



Bishop Freeman (above) of Washington, D.C., speaks on "America for Christ."

Japanese Work Endangered

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1859 of the Rev. John Liggins, followed shortly by the Rev. Channing Moore Williams who in 1866 was consecrated bishop with jurisdiction over both Japan and China.

Such magnificent institutions as St. Luke's International Medical Center, St. Paul's University, and St. Margaret's Training School for Girls, all in Tokyo; St. Agnes' School in Kyoto;

the welfare center of the Church of the Resurrection, Kyoto; St. Barnabas' Hospital, Osaka; a training school for kindergartners in Sendai, and many day nurseries, parish schools and kindergartens are part of the Japanese Church, in addition to nearly 150 parishes, missions and outstations. The American Church is at present contributing \$226,000 a year to this work.



Convention on the Air

ENERAL Convention of 1940 will be "on the air." Those who cannot attend Convention in Kansas City, Oct. 9 to 24, need not miss it. The radio will bring reports of Convention activities daily, especially for those living in the middle west in reach of Kansas City stations. The most extensive radio program in history of General Convention has been worked out by the Kansas City committee in coöperation with the National Council.

The great Opening Service in the Municipal Auditorium arena will be broadcast in part over the Mutual Network. Nationwide hookups of both

Nation-Wide Broadcast

A nation-wide broadcast by the Presiding Bishop over the Columbia Broadcasting System at 10 A. M., Eastern Standard Time, Nov. 10 will inaugurate this Fall's Every Member Canvass. As last year, many parishes will arrange to listen to the Presiding Bishop's message in services.

Bishop Tucker asks especially that Canvass groups meet together and listen in. He also asks for messages following the broadcast. Last year, 13,500 replies by postal card, letter and telegram were received.

Columbia and National broadcasting systems will precede the Convention and report its progress during the two weeks. The Rev. Dr. ZeBarney T. Phillips, president of the House of Deputies, will speak over the nationwide facilities of Columbia Oct. 6 at 10 a. m., E.S.T.

The National Broadcasting Company is sending the Rev. Walter W. VanKirk, its religious commentator, to Convention and in three nationwide hookups he will summarize its achievements. See radio schedules for these.

WDAF, powerful station of the Kansas City *Star*, will have a fifteenminute summary of Convention news each evening:

Station KMBC also will report important news of the Convention. This station is planning a round table discussion of Convention toward the end of the session.

WHB, with its Kansas network, is another station which is planning to broadcast parts of the Convention.

The Kansas City Ministerial Association has generously relinquished all radio time generally allotted to it. This includes: Oct. 13 and 20, 7:30 a. m., WHB; 8:30, KITE; daily, Monday through Saturday, Oct. 9 to 24, 6:30 a. m., WDAF; 4:45 p. m., KITE; Oct. 9 and 23, 7:30 a. m., KCMO; Oct. 11 and 18, 8 p. m., KMBC.

"Whither thou goest, I will go; and where thou lodgest, I will lodge; thy people shall be my people and thy God my God." That is the legend at the base of the "Pioneer Mother" statue which is in Kansas City's Penn Valley Park. Sculptured by A. Phimister Proctor, it depicts the courage of women in settling of the West.

National Council Elections

General Convention will elect fourteen members of National Council; twelve due to expirations and two due to deaths. Successors to the late Bishop Stewart and Mr. Austin J. Lindstrom, both of Chicago, will be named.

Council members whose terms expire are: Bishop Hobson, Southern Ohio; the Very Rev. Paul Roberts, Denver; the Rev. Albert R. Stuart, Charleston, S. C.; the Rev. Everett H. Jones, San Antonio, Tex.; Mr. William G. Peterkin, Parkersburg, W. Va.; Mr. Thomas Fleming, Jr., Pasadena, Calif.; Dr. Frank W. Moore, Auburn, N. Y.; Mr. C. Jared Ingersoll, Philadelphia. Women members whose terms expire and who are nominated by the Triennial meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary and elected by the Convention are: Miss Elizabeth Matthews, Glendale, Ohio: Miss Eva D. Corey, Brookline, Mass.; Mrs. James R. Cain, Columbia, S. C.; and Mrs. Henry Hill Pierce, New York.

Social Work at Convention

Refugee work, social attitudes, the Church and family will all come up for consideration as part of the program of the Department of Christian Social Relations at General Convention. The department, under the direction of the Rev. Almon R. Pepper, executive secretary, is giving two courses of study in the National Council Training Institute, which will be held at the Convention.

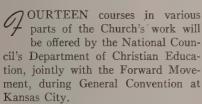
In the first of these Mr. Pepper and Miss Edith M. Denison, resource secretary for the Episcopal Committee for European Refugees, will present the problem of "Organizing the Parish for Refugee Work." The second course will be on "Social Attitudes and Action," presented by Spencer Miller, Jr., industrial consultant. The department will coöperate in the mass meeting on Sunday, Oct. 20, and in the presentation of a seminar on "Church and Family," to be held Oct. 15 to 18.

Both the department and the refugee committee will have booths and exhibits at the Convention.

Convention Institute Will Offer Variety of Courses

COVER MANY PHASES OF CHURCH'S WORK, PROGRAM

(Right) Bishop Block of California who will have a class in "The Method of Small Groups in Parochial Life" at Church Institute,



The Church Training Institute this year will operate in three divisions; morning classes open to all; a Seminar on the Church and Family Life, open to persons designated by diocesan authorities, and afternoon conferences on Christian Education, open to all who care to enroll. The morning classes offer the fourteen courses, and are held October 15-18, from 9:00 to 9:50 a.m. The subjects and leaders include:

Prayer, Muriel S. Curtis, Ph.D., Wellesley College; The Meaning and Hope of the Kingdom of God, the Rev. Stanley Brown-Serman, D.D., Virginia Theological Seminary; Social Attitudes and Action, Spencer Miller, Jr., Department of Christian Social Relations, National Council; Organizing the Parish for Refugee Work, the Rev. Almon R. Pepper, executive secretary, Department of Christian Social Relations, National Council, and Miss Edith M. Denison, Resource Secretary, Episcopal Committee for European Refugees.

The Church's Mission in War Time, John W. Wood, D.C.L., secretary, Department of Foreign Missions, National Council; China, Miss Martha Sherman, Chennan, Yunnan, China; Shifting Populations in America, Miss Edith E. Lowry, executive secretary, Council of Women for Home Missions; Problems of Youth, Miss Edith



F. Balmford, executive secretary, Church Mission of Help; The Church's Work with Youth, the Rev. Frederick H. Arterton, secretary for youth, National Council; Preparing for the Educational Programs, Leader, the Rev. Vernon McMaster, S.T.D., Department of Christian Education; Parish and Diocesan Altar Guilds, Leader, Miss Mary C. Buchan, president, Massachusetts Altar Guild.

Business Methods in Church Affairs, led by James E. Whitney, asst. treas. of the National Council, with Mr. Spencer Ervin of Philadelphia, Mr. Stuart C. Rand, Boston, and Prof. H. M. Heckman, University of Georgia, participating; Parish Evangelism, Bishop Kemerer of Duluth; The Method of Small Groups in Parochial Life, Bishop Block, California.

Old College Building Replica in Exhibit Hall

FEATURE OF COLLEGE WORK GROUP; CHAPEL SERVICE

One of the largest exhibit spaces, with provisions for a lounge and a chapel with daily services, will be the center for the college work program at General Convention. Sponsored by the National Commission on College Work and the Church Society for College Work, the program will include luncheons and a dinner and will gather together clergy and laymen from every field who have a special interest in the Church's opportunity among students.

The college work lounge will be separated from the rest of the exhibit hall by a replica of the oldest building of a Church college in the United States, one at William and Mary in Virginia. Miss Peggy Thompson, student worker at Northwestern Uni-

versity, Evanston, Ill., will be hostess in the lounge.

The chapel service, which will be held each weekday at 7 A. M., will be the only regularly scheduled service in the convention building. It is planned to provide opportunity for a daily Corporate Communion for college workers, but visitors will be welcome.

Charles P. Taft of Cincinnati will speak at the college dinner, Friday evening, Oct. 18, at the Woman's Club. The Rev. C. Leslie Glenn of Christ Church, Cambridge, Mass., will be toastmaster.

A feature of each weekday will be a luncheon at 1:45 P. M. Speakers will include Dr. William A. Eddy, Hobart College; Dr. Gordon K. Chalmers,

Kenyon; Professor Clark Kuebler, of Northwestern; the Rev. Alden Drew Kelley, National Council secretary for college work, and others.

The National Commission on College Work and the college work commissions of the fourth and seventh provinces will all hold their meetings during Convention.

Missionary Bishops of the domestic field have been called to meet Oct. 7 by Bishop Cross (Spokane), chr. of the group. A dinner meeting with the Department of Domestic Missions of the National Council will be held that evening.





General Convention

DISTRICT INCLUDES 50,00

(Left) Flood-lighted front of Christ Cathedral, Salina; (below) Ä busy moment at St. Faith's House, Salina.

HREE hundred years ago,
Spanish adventurers pushed
their way northward from
Mexico as far as what is now
Western Kansas and established trading posts on the Smoky Hill River.
Thus began a story of struggle, largely
with natural elements, which has continued through the years to the present.

Half a century ago, the Church sent missionaries into this mid-western territory and started planting mission stations on the plains. These efforts resulted in the establishment by General Convention in 1901 of the Missionary District of Salina. General Convention of 1940 will be called upon to determine the future status of the District; either to elect a new bishop or to merge it with one of the surrounding dioceses.

Topographically, Western Kansas is a plains country. In the minds of

many Americans, it is a land of grass-hopper plagues, drought and dust storms. While nature may have dealt harshly with it in some respects, discoveries of rich oil, gas and salt deposits have compensated somewhat. The District of Salina comprises 50,000 square miles, the western two-thirds of Kansas, and has a population of approximately 600,000.

When Sheldon Munson Griswold arrived in the District as its first bishop early in 1903, after consecration in Albany, N. Y., he found for the most part struggling Church outposts. His first year showed marked results. He traveled across the countryside, by horse and buggy or train; up and down river valleys along which were located towns and villages. He established a quarterly paper, The District of Salina Watchman, which is still published. He created the Christ Cathedral Chapter in Salina, then and now the largest parish in the District. He interested Mrs. Hermon Griswold Batterson, widow of

(Bottom, left) Cadets at St. John's School, Salina; (directly below) A schoolhouse on the plains near Ransom, Kansas, where Church services are held; (bottom) Children at play at St. Faith's House, Salina.



o Decide Future of District of Salin

UARE MILES OF WESTERN KANSAS & ESTABLISHED IN 1901

(Right) Coronada Heights, near Salina, reputedly the limit of Coronado's penetration in 1541. Directly below is a typical Kansas wheatfield scene.

a priest of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, in giving funds for the erection of a beautiful cathedral church.

Within a year, the number of clergy increased from six to twelve, serving thirty parishes, missions and preaching stations. Most of these are still functioning and new ones have been developed—there are now thirty-nine.

Bishop Griswold resigned in 1917 to become suffragan bishop of Chicago and was succeeded by Bishop John Charles Sage. Bishop Sage lived less than two years after his arrival in Salina. For more than a year after his death, Bishop George Allen Beecher of Western Nebraska, was in charge.

On Jan. 19, 1921, Herbert Mize was consecrated the third Bishop of Salina. Prosperity and adversity marked the (Continued on page 29)

Some churches in the District of Salina (below), including: Left to right at top: Grace Church, Hutchinson; St. Paul's, Beloit; St. Michael's, Hays; bottom, left: Holy Apostles, Ellsworth; right, St. Andrew's, near Hays





Shawnee Mission Is Early Church Shrine

FOUNDED IN 1839, SERVED INDIANS

ALF an hour's drive from the great Kansas City Municipal Auditorium where General Convention meets in October and a mile west of the Missouri-Kansas state line, is historic Shawnee Mission to the Indians. Founded in 1839 by the Rev. Thomas Johnson, a Methodist missionary, it will be one of the points of interest for Convention attendants.

Three brick buildings which were part of the original mission still stand on thirteen and a half acres of land which the State of Kansas bought in 1928 and turned over to the Kansas State Historical society for maintenance. One of these buildings today is used as an historical museum. The Bible from which the Rev. Mr. Johnson used to read to the Indian boys and girls of the Shawnee Mission Manual Labor School is one of the prized relics of the museum. There is a huge soup kettle, used for making soup for the mission's students, who included some of the children of white pioneers.

Johnson was an impressive figure to the Indians. He was more than 6 feet tall, weighed 250 pounds. When he arrived at the confluence of the Kaw and the Missouri Rivers, to preach to the Indians, three Shawnee chiefs came to listen to his first sermon. He told the Old Testament story of the creation. It agreed in many particulars with the Shawnees' tribal beliefs, and the chiefs went back to their tribesmen and reported: "This man knows more about the creation of the world than we do. We had better hear him."

Wyandotte and Delaware Indians, as well as Shawnees, took their children to the mission to learn the wonderful things the white men knew—effective farming, how to sew and cook, how to cure illness, the love of mankind as Jesus Christ had taught it, honesty and decency. The mission remained a potent force in the development of the frontier country until the Civil War. Then it was occupied by Federal troops for some time. A Kansas territorial legislature met at Shawnee Mission before the war.

The Indian boys slept in a long attic room of the east building of the mission, which still stands. This was the main school building. In a building across the road was the girls' dormitory. It still stands, as does the brick house where the mission's head and his teachers and fellow missionaries dwelt. Some of the "Apostles" preached through interpreters when first they came to the Kansas border, and so zealous and imaginative were the interpreters that the teachers did not find it at all hard to communicate their ideas to their Indian listeners.

Discipline was enforced strictly, but not harshly, among the Indian boys and girls. They learned Christianity and the practical benefits of farming, blacksmithing, cookery and sewing. In the summer the Indian children went home to their tribes for summer hunting, which often took them to the plains of Kansas to kill buffalo for meat for the next winter.

The Shawnee Mission wrote a happy chapter of peace and helpfulness into the troubled story of relations between white men and Indians. When it ended its services as a school, many Indians had settled down as part of the Kansas City community; many others had carried with them to other parts of the nation knowledge of Christianity.

Four Acres of Exhibits

NE of the truly glamorful centers of interest at General Convention is the Hall of Exhibits, in the heart of the Municipal Auditorium. Nearly one hundred separate exhibitors will interest, inform, and delight visitors with displays covering the whole range of Church activity. The exhibit will be located in the midst of four acres of floor space readily accessible and ideally equipped and adapted for the world exposition which will center there.

Under auspices of National Council Departments, Auxiliaries and Coöperating Agencies, there will be a convincing display in the interest of missions, educational and social programs. A college campus will be built bodily into the scene and most features of such campuses will be introduced to indicate the opportunities open to the Church. Foreign and Domestic Missions from much of the world with particular exhibitors from special branches of this work will rather suggest that the world has come to Kansas City.

Most organizations at work under the banner of the Church will be represented in the aisles of booths. In others there will be practical demonstrations of material and equipment for much of the range of parish enterprise. Numerous commercial and semi-commercial enterprises will be represented and books, vestments and other helpful materials, together with products made in our missions will be offered for sale.

The Rev. Richard L. Harbour of Warrensburg, Mo., is chairman of exhibits for the Kansas City committee.

(Below) Girls' dormitory at the old Shawnee Indian Mission, near Kansas City.

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Farewell To Miss Lindley

W. A. BIDS HER ADIEU AT DINNER OCTOBER II

AREWELL to Miss Grace Lindley, secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary since 1916, will be given by the Triennial Meeting in Kansas City at a special dinner in her honor the evening of Oct. 11. It will be at the Continental Hotel at 7 p. m.

This and an entertainment of Indian music and dancing under direction of Thurlow Lieurance the evening of Oct. 18, are the chief additions to the Triennial program as published in the September issue of *FORTH*.

Principal business matters to come before the Triennial are: decision on expenditure of the United Thank Offering; nomination of a successor to Miss Lindley; nomination of four members on the National Council; election of eight members of the national executive board.

The great U.T.O. Presentation Service in the Auditorium arena the morning of Oct. 10 and the mass meeting that evening will of course be high lights of the W. A. Triennial. The evening meeting will be more than the usual mass meeting. It is titled: "The Church Marches On" and will present dramatically not only a parade of missionaries but briefly the story of each field by motion picture and commentator.

Perhaps the most unusual feature of the evening meeting will be a motion picture presenting scenes from the Presentation Service the morning of the 10th. This will be something of a feat because the film not only will be taken in the morning but must be processed in the course of the day to be in readiness for the evening. The



Thulane Photo

Mrs. Samuel W. Sawyer (above), chairman of teas and receptions for General Convention. Mrs. Sawyer is president of the Visiting Nurse Assn. of Kansas City and a leader in other women's activities.

climax of the meeting will come of course when the amount of the U.T.O. is announced. This will be done through a novel method on the motion picture screen. The address at the meeting will be given by Dr. John W. Wood, retiring head of the National Council's Department of Foreign Missions.

New Motion Pictures at General Convention

SEVERAL OF MISSION FIELDS WILL BE SHOWN

In increasing numbers the National Council, through its Department of Promotion, is presenting missionary work in terms of the motion picture. The current season marks the completion of five new units in this growing "movie library." Some of these will be shown for the first time at General Convention in Kansas City; three of them are in color, and all of them represent splendid technical advance in this field. All are of the 16mm variety so that they are readily adapted to the equipment most generally found in parishes.

The films in each instance have been made with the coöperation of the Bishops and represent the outstanding centers of our work, the men and women who make it possible, and the types of God's children to whom we minister. The films, as well as a collection of the more ancient lantern slide lectures, are made available at nominal prices.

These are the newest films: Our Work and Workers in Haiti (in color, 4 reels, 16mm); Our Bit of Darkest Africa (in color, 4 reels, 16mm); Work and Worship in the Canal Zone (in color, 3 reels, 16mm); Our Church at Work in the Holy Land (black and white, 3 reels, 16mm).

The most recent lantern slide lec-

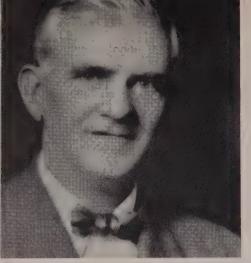
ture, Fifty Years of the United Thank Offering, was prepared under the direction of a Committee of the Executive Board of the Woman's Auxiliary, and presents leaders in the work, and many of the great centers which have been made possible by this Offering. This lecture has been prepared for use throughout the coming Triennium.

Courage and Wisdom

O God, who hast called us to share in establishing upon earth the Kingdom of thy dear Son, help us to be true and honest witnesses of the faith which we profess. Save us from hypocrisy and unreality, from pretentiousness and cant. Make us faithful stewards of all that thou hast given us, our time and our skills, and the fruits of all our labors. Strengthen us as we go forth in thy Name to call upon our neighbors to show the glory

of thy Kingdom and to talk of all thy wondrous works. Give to us courage and wisdom, patience and courtesy, and crown our efforts with a good success so that thy Church may go steadily forward in her ministries of love, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

This prayer for use this fall in the Every Member Canvass was written on commission of The Presiding Bishop by the late Bishop Stewart of Chicago, a few hours before his death.



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500 Young People Head for Kansas City

YOUTH WEEK END ATTRACTS FROM ALL PARTS OF COUNTRY

More than 500 young people from all parts of the country will gather in Kansas City on Oct. 11 for the opening of the Youth Week End in connection with General Convention.

The young people, all between the ages of 15 and 30, will meet not only to hear the word of national Church leaders and to have a Corporate Communion together, but to formulate among themselves a plan of action "for all youth of the Episcopal Church." The week end will begin Friday night, Oct. 11, and continue until noon on Sunday.

A mass meeting in the Music Hall Friday at 8 P. M. will open the proceedings. Four bishops and nearly a dozen other Church leaders will be present. The Presiding Bishop and Dr. Henry P. Van Dusen will speak. Later, at a social hour in the Municipal Auditorium lobby, the young people will meet the Church leaders informally.

Saturday morning's program will be closely linked with the General Convention sessions. The Rev. ZeB. T. Phillips, chairman of the House of Deputies, will speak in Edison Hall on "The General Convention—What, Why and How?" Later at the Auditorium the young people will be guests in turn of the Woman's Auxiliary, the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies during their regular sessions.

The Amsterdam Conference, the Church Army and college will be the subjects for discussion Saturday afternoon in Edison Hall. Capt. Earl Estabrook of the Church Army and the Rev. Alden Drew Kelley, National Council secretary for college work, are scheduled to speak.

High light of the afternoon will be the presentation of "a proposed plan and program of action for all youth of the Episcopal Church," by the Rev. Frederick H. Arterton, National Council secretary for youth. Dr. Charles W. Sheerin, second vicepresident of the Council, will talk on "The Church's Mission and Youth," at the young people's banquet, which will be held at 7 P. M. Saturday at the Continental Hotel.

A more serious tone will prevail on Sunday, Oct. 13. Corporate Communion, Bishop Lawrence of Western Massachusetts, celebrating, will be at Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral at 8 A. M. Later there will be a service in the Music Hall. Bishop Tucker, Mr. Arterton, Dr. Kelley and Dean Paul Roberts, of Denver, will take part.

D. of K. to Meet

Senior and junior members, college chapters and half a dozen bishops of the Church will take part in the triennial convention of the Daughters of the King, to be held in Kansas City from Oct. 4 through Oct. 8, before the opening of General Convention.

Evangelism in a Changing World will be the topic for discussion when delegates of more than 500 chapters gather together.

The program on Oct. 4 will include a quiet hour led by Bishop Fenner of Kansas, a dinner sponsored by the chapter of St. Paul's Church, Kansas City, Kan., and an opening service with a sermon by Bishop Spencer of West Missouri.

Oct. 5 the plans call for an afternoon meeting of a training institute on the Church's program and chapter coöperation, with leaders from the national departments of the Church. The junior and college chapters will take the floor Oct. 6 followed by a tea at which the chapters of St. John's Church, Kansas City, will be hostesses. In the evening, members of the Order will attend a mass meeting on the cooperating groups: Church Army, Brotherhood of St. Andrew and Daughters of the King. Bishop Hobson of Southern Ohio will speak.

Sessions Oct. 7 will be given over to the training institute, divisional conferences and provincial meetings. The closing meeting on Oct. 8 will see the 'presentation of the Order's new national council and a service of rededication and renewal of vows, led by Bishop Seaman of North Texas.



LAYMEN MEET OCT. 14-15

A meeting on lavmen's work as it relates to all laymen's organizations in the Church will be held Monday evening, Oct. 14 at 8 P. M. in Edison Hall, under sponsorship of the Laymen's League. The Presiding Bishop, Bishop Strider of West Virginia, Dr. Alexander Guerry of University of the South, and Mr. Eugene E. Thompson, Washington, D.C., national president of the Laymen's League, will be speakers. A business meeting of the Lavmen's League is scheduled for Tuesday evening, Oct. 15.

Rural work will have its place among the exhibits at General Convention. The Department of Christian Education has arranged an exhibit on the town and country field.

War Spectre Over Convention

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of the Missionary District of Salina. now without a bishop.

Conscientious Objectors. General Convention's Commission on Noncombatant Service will report and out of this may grow a statement of policy with regard to the Church's attitude toward the conscientious objector and the whole question of war. National Council as well as other Christian bodies already have set up machinery for registering conscientious objectors.

Other matters which are likely to come up for consideration include: primatial see for the Presiding Bishop; state of theological education and the Church's seminaries; work among Negro people including suggestion for setting up of Negro missionary district; work among college and youth groups; election of fourteen members of the National Council due to expiration of terms or deaths.

In connection with the meeting of the Triennial of the Woman's Auxiliary, an important consideration will be the election of a successor to Miss Grace Lindley who retires Jan. 1 as executive secretary of the national W.A.

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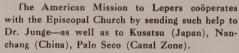
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District of Salina

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eighteen years during which he served the District so faithfully; there were the boom days of the twenties and the drought and depression days of the thirties. Since Bishop Mize's retirement at the end of 1938, the District has been administered by Bishop Robert Nelson Spencer of Kansas City.

Despite adverse conditions the last decade, the District has grown in communicant strength and has absorbed substantial reductions in appropriations from the national Church. Today it has slightly over 2,000 communicants. Records indicate, however, that the District has transferred to other jurisdictions during its existence some 5,000 communicants. Twenty-three men and women have gone into the ministry and lay work of the Church.

The District's two Church institutions, St. John's School and St. Faith's House, are both located in Salina. St. Faith's is a social service center for underprivileged children, directed by Deaconess Anne Gilliland, U.T.O. worker. St. John's is a secondary school superintended by the Rev. R. L. Clem.

The Associate Mission at Hays is one of the more recent developments. It was started in 1933 by General Theological Seminary. Several missions have been established through it; 300 have been presented for confirmation and a student center established at Fort Hays Teachers' College.

In the District are such centers as Dodge City, early frontier town; Garden City; Great Bend, one of the wealthiest oil centers in Kansas; Hays, site of the one-time military reservation of Fort Hays and of Fort Hays State Teachers' College; Hutchinson, one of the largest salt mining centers in the world, where the second largest parish is located; Liberal, probably the largest gas field in the world; Mc-Pherson, oil and refining center, and Salina, which ranks fourth among all American cities in flour milling.

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Heads of the training schools for women workers of the Episcopal Church will hold a pre-General Convention meeting in Kansas City, Oct. 7 and 8, another of the many important Church gatherings which surround the Convention. Schools represented will be Windham House, New York; St. Faith's, New York; Tuttle Memorial Training School, Raleigh, N. C.; Philadelphia Training School, Philadelphia; Chase House, Chicago; and St. Margaret's House, Berkeley, Calif.

Two relics of early Christianity, a Gutenberg Bible printed in 1452 and a stone from a monastery built on the island of Iona, off the coast of Scotland, in the eighth century will be exhibited at the Municipal Auditorium, during General Convention by the University of the South, Sewanee, Tenn.

Convention Delegates Include Outstanding Men

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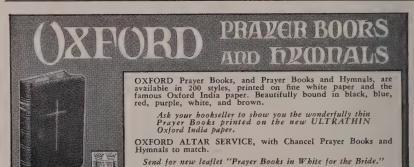
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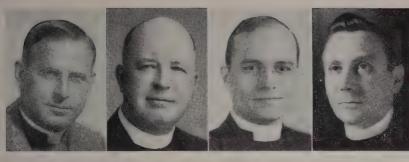
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West Missouri is Widely Scattered Diocese

Those who think of General Convention only in terms of Kansas City, with its vast auditorium, museums and parks, are likely to overlook the forty parishes and missions and the several thousand communicants scattered over the farms and cities and villages in the rest of the Diocese of West Missouri.

Almost entirely an agricultural country. West Missouri ranges from rolling hills and cornfields in the north, along the Missouri River, to the colorful Ozark Mountains of the south. It has few large cities. Most of the million and a half people live in small towns and on farms.

Just fifty years ago the Diocese, having been set apart from Missouri, acquired its first bishop, the Rt. Rev. Edward R. Atwill. Since that time it has had two bishops: the Rt. Rev. Sidney Catlin Partridge, who died in 1930, and the present Bishop Spencer. Its communicant list has grown to more than 7,000 and its baptized members to nearly 9,000.

Not all the large congregations are located in Kansas City. St. Joseph, with 80,000 residents, has Christ Church with a communicant list of more than 500. In Springfield, a

southern Missouri town of 57,000 people, another Christ Church records 400 communicants while St. John's totals more than 300. St. Philip's at Joplin is in the 300's. Carthage, Independence, and Sedalia, all towns of ten to twenty thousand, have good-sized congregations.

On the other hand there are many small places, whose residents range from a few hundred to three or four thousand, where work is just getting under way with missions in charge of near-by clergy. The diocese has two institutions, St. Luke's Hospital and the Episcopal Church House for Girls, both in Kansas City.

The work in West Missouri is carried on by twenty-eight clergy, with thirty layreaders playing an important role. Among them they cover an area totaling 36,000 square miles.

Diocesan editors and directors of publicity have been invited by the Diocesan Editors' Association to meet for discussion of common problems at the Kansas City Club, Friday evening, Oct. 18, 6:30. The association is sponsoring an exhibit of diocesan publications at General Convention.





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The Congress will sponsor five noon meetings at the Kansas City Municipal Auditorium, Oct. 14 to 18. At each there will be an address by a leading clergyman and an open discussion. The approaches to unity between the Episcopal and Presbyterian Churches and the whole problem of Christian Unity will be considered.

The Rev. Donald B. Aldrich, rector of the Church of the Ascension, N. Y., is Chairman of the Church Congress.

Speakers at the five meetings will be the following: Oct. 14, the Rev. William Thomas Heath, Trinity Church, Buffalo, N. Y.; Oct. 15, the Very Rev. Henry B. Washburn, former dean of the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge, Mass.; Oct. 16, the Rev. John A. Mackay, President of the Princeton Theological Seminary, Princeton, N. J.; Oct. 17, the Rt. Rev. Frank E. Wilson, Bishop of Eau Claire; and Oct. 18, the Rt. Rev. Robert E. L. Strider, Bishop of West Virginia.

The whole problem of the Church and Reunion is being taken up by the Congress during 1940-41 as a course of study in preparation for the Congress's second triennial meeting in April, 1942. The study course includes discussions for and against the proposed Concordat and consideration of the questions of reunion with the Eastern Church and with Rome.

Convention City is "Heart of America"

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Events on the program will include a choral evensong on Sunday, a missionary mass meeting Monday evening and a women's conference the next day. Additional services and meetings also have been scheduled.

Mrs. Fannie Pitt Gross, the Woman's Auxiliary field worker among Negroes; the Rev. I. Henry Brown, head of the Church Student Center at Fort Valley, Ga., and Bishop Spencer of West Missouri are among the speakers. The Very Rev. Georges E. Benedict of Port au Prince, Haiti, will have the floor at the mass meeting, at which motion pictures of the Church's work in Haiti will be shown.

Just outside the north entrance to the Municipal Auditorium where General Convention meets, Church Army will hold daily noon meetings. An evangelistic mass meeting, conference and banquet are other features of Church Army's Convention plans.

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